

IN THE CLAIMS

Please AMEND the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended): A method to treat hyperactive sebaceous gland disorders, ~~other than acne~~, in a subject in need thereof, the method comprising: by:

- (i) topically applying a ~~hydrophobic and/or lipophilic~~ photosensitizer composition to skin tissue of said subject exhibiting symptoms of a hyperactive sebaceous gland disorder, and
- (ii) exposing the tissue of said subject to light energy at a wavelength capable of activating the photosensitizer and at a fluence rate between about 0.1 mW/cm² and about 600mW/cm²,

wherein the sebaceous gland disorder is selected from seborrhea, seborrheic dermatitis, sebaceous gland hyperplasia and combinations thereof; and

wherein said photosensitizer is (a) a porphyrin or derivative thereof, (b) a phenothiazinium, (c) a bacteriochlorophyll or derivative thereof, (d) a purpurin, or a combination of any of (a) - (d) other than 5-aminolevulinic acid and analogs thereof.

Claims 2-5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently Amended): The method of claim 1, wherein the photosensitizer is (a) a chlorin, (b) a bacteriochlorin, (c) an isobacteriochlorin, (d) a phthalocyanine, (e) a naphthalocyanine, (f) a pyropheophorbide, (g) a sapphyrin, (h) a texaphyrin, (i) a tetrahydrochlorin, (j) a methylene blue or derivative thereof, ~~a purpurin~~, (k) a porphycene, ~~(l) a phenothiazinium, (m) a bacteriochlorophyll, (n) a bacteriochlorophyll derivative, (o) a pro-porphyrin, (p) a porphyrin~~, or a combination of any of (a) - (k) [[p]].

7. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, wherein the photosensitizer is (a) of (a)-verteporfin, (b) of (a)-lemuteporfin, or a combination of (a) and (b).

8. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, wherein the composition has a viscosity at 20°C of from about 50 cps to about 50000 cps.

9. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, wherein excess photosensitizer composition is removed from the skin prior to application of activation energy.

10. (Canceled)

11. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, wherein steps i) and ii) are repeated at least about once every six months.

12. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, wherein steps i) and ii) are repeated at least about once every three months.

13. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, wherein steps (i) and (ii) are repeated at intervals of not less than about 5 days.

Claims 14-17. (Canceled):

18. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, wherein said energy is at least in part supplied by a light emitting diode device.

19. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 18, wherein said device emits red and blue light.

20-21. (Canceled)

22. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 7, wherein the photosensitizer is lemuteporfin.

23. (Currently Amended): A method to treat hyperactive sebaceous gland disorders, ~~other than acne~~, in a subject in need thereof, the method comprising: ~~by:~~

(i) topically applying a photosensitizer composition comprising lemuteporfin to skin tissue of said subject exhibiting symptoms of a hyperactive sebaceous gland disorder, and

(ii) exposing the tissues of said subject to light energy at a wavelength capable of activating the lemuteporfin and at a fluence rate between about 0.1 mW/cm² and about 600mW/cm²;

wherein the sebaceous gland disorder is selected from seborrhea, seborrheic dermatitis, sebaceous gland hyperplasia and combinations thereof.

24. (New): The method of claim 23, wherein the composition has a viscosity at 20°C of from about 50 cps to about 50000 cps.

25. (New): The method of claim 23, wherein excess photosensitizer composition is removed from the skin prior to application of activation energy.

26. (New): The method of claim 23, wherein steps i) and ii) are repeated at least about once every six months.

27. (New): The method of claim 23, wherein steps i) and ii) are repeated at least about once every three months.

28. (New): The method of claim 23, wherein steps (i) and (ii) are repeated at intervals of not less than about 5 days.

29. (New): The method of claim 23, wherein said energy is at least in part supplied by a light emitting diode device.

30. (New): The method of claim 29, wherein said device emits red and blue light.